

House Resolution

No. 15

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House Resolution No. 15—Relative to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month.

1 WHEREAS, Our great state and nation strive to promote the
2 egalitarian principles of equality and justice where all people have
3 inalienable rights, including life, liberty, and the pursuit of
4 happiness; and
5 WHEREAS, California’s and America’s diversity is one of our
6 greatest strengths; and
7 WHEREAS, To achieve a just and fair society, we must teach
8 our children to respect one another, to appreciate our differences,
9 and to recognize the common good in all of us; and
10 WHEREAS, Our great state protects its residents from
11 discrimination and harassment based on actual or perceived race,
12 color, religion, ancestry, ethnicity, national origin, physical or
13 mental ability, medical condition, sex, including gender identity,
14 or sexual orientation; and
15 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people
16 have made important and lasting contributions to our great state
17 and nation in every field of endeavor including business, medicine,
18 law, humanities, science, literature, politics, education, music,
19 philanthropy, sports, arts, and culture that enrich our national life;
20 and

1 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people
2 come from all walks of life, regardless of race, color, religion,
3 ancestry, ethnicity, national origin, economic status, physical or
4 mental ability, medical condition, sex, or gender identity; and

5 WHEREAS, While our great state and nation have come a long
6 way in our journey toward dignity, understanding, and mutual
7 respect for all, we still have a long way to go in eradicating the
8 prejudice and discrimination that lesbian, gay, bisexual, and
9 transgender people and their families encounter; and

10 WHEREAS, To build a stronger and better state and nation, we
11 must continue to help advance the cause of equality for all people,
12 including lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people and their
13 families; and

14 WHEREAS, Each year in June marks the anniversary of the
15 Stonewall Rebellion that gave birth to the modern lesbian, gay,
16 bisexual, and transgender civil rights movement; and

17 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Americans,
18 their families and friends, and all those committed to justice and
19 equality celebrate during the month of June the rich culture, the
20 notable achievements, and the outstanding services that lesbian,
21 gay, bisexual, and transgender Americans make to our great state
22 and nation; now, therefore, be it

23 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
24 Assembly of the State of California proclaims June 2011 as
25 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month,
26 urges all residents to join in celebrating the culture,
27 accomplishments, and contributions of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and
28 transgender people, and encourages the people of California to
29 work to help advance the cause of equality for lesbian, gay,
30 bisexual, and transgender people and their families; and be it
31 further

32 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
33 of this resolution to the Members of the Legislature and to the
34 author for appropriate distribution.